

SALEM

SALEM IN FLORIDA.

What the Boys Did For Christmas.

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A letter just received from Mr. W. S. Oakley, who is with the Harveyoutter telegraph expedition in Florida, dated from camp fifty miles from Kissimmee, says that the Salem boys on Christmas day went hunting and at night had killed the following game and "varmints": One alligator, one coon, eighteen turkeys, eight crows, one fox-squirrel, one otter, a plume bird, a rattlesnake, two moccasins and a big owl.

Of fish they hooked a three pound black bass and five catfish. Mr. Oakley says they might have done better but the weather was as warm as May in Virginia, and they were afraid of being lost in the swamps.

He adds that on their trip they met another hunting party who had killed twenty deer. Mr. Oakley is a thoroughly reliable citizen and what he says may be relied on as true, even to the weight of the fish.

Against a Railroad Commission.

The Board of Trade did not meet Monday night, but will meet next Monday night, and will probably pass resolutions instructing the delegate and senator from this district to oppose any change to the existing railroad laws of the State. Salem people are desirous of encouraging the present railroads in their laudable endeavors to build up the Southwest, and wish nothing done that will in any wise hamper them.

The Baptist Sunday-School.

Last Sunday morning the following gentlemen were elected officers of the Baptist Sunday-school: W. W. Whitescarver, superintendent; J. M. Harlowe, assistant superintendent; L. M. Leo, treasurer; Homer Stearns, secretary; M. W. Moffett, assistant secretary; C. F. McCormick, librarian; J. E. Triplett, assistant librarian. Mr. Whitescarver has been superintendent of this school for seven years. The school will meet at 4 p. m. Thursday, in the Baptist Church to receive their Christmas presents.

An Enjoyable Party.

Captain and Mrs. J. C. Langhorne gave to their children, Annie and Lewis, a very charming Christmas party last evening in the spacious parlors of the Hotel Lucerne, at which some twenty young folks were royally entertained. Captain Langhorne is fond of the little ones, and though his hair is streaked with gray he was as juvenile as the rest, in playing games and amusing his little guests.

I. O. O. F. Officers.

At a regular meeting of Salem Lodge, No. 100, I. O. O. F., Tuesday night the following officers were elected for the following term: Robert Oakley, N. G.; Samuel Walters, V. G.; Frank Reed, treasurer; Thomas R. Boon, secretary; Lloyd Marcus, chaplain.

BREVITIES.

The salvation army will commence a watch night service at 11 p. m. Thursday and continue it until after the New Year has come in.

Rev. T. S. Brown and family are visiting friends in Wytheville.

Marriage licenses have been issued from the county clerk's office during the past two days to George (fish) and Nannie Tompkins Baldwin, of Rice county, Kan., and to Henry Marcus Smith and Nannie Olivia Page, of Roanoke county.

The Children's Mission Society, of the Lutheran Church, will have a social gathering at the parsonage next Thursday night.

Messrs. J. Ed. Shipman and Henry J. Stevens, while superintending the repairing of the river pump, Tuesday, at Langhorne's mill, caught a three-pound black bass in the mill race.

A rabbit was started by some dogs in a vacant lot. Tuesday morning, and made straight for College avenue, where it hid in a sewer pipe, and was subsequently captured by E. H. Carper, who had a number of hands engaged laying sewer pipe.

Now Try This.

It will cost you nothing and will surely do you good, if you have a Cough, Cold, or any trouble with Throat, Chest or Lungs. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to give relief, or money will be paid back. Sufferers from La Grippe found it just the thing and under its use had a speedy and perfect recovery. Try a sample bottle at our expense and learn for yourself just how good a thing it is. Trial bottles free at Christian & Barbee's Drug Store. Large size 50c. and \$1.00.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years standing. Used three boxes of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large Fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one bottle Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by Christian & Barbee's Drug Store.

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THE CHIBCHAS.

Little-Known Contemporaries of the Aztecs and Incas.

The rich regions of the Aztecs were discovered in 1519, and the conqueror of Montezuma was already returning to Spain when Pizarro set sail for Peru. In 1532 the empire of the Incas was entirely overthrown; while in 1536 there still existed, unknown to the world, upon the high tablelands of the eastern cordillera of the Andes an agricultural people composed of more than a million souls, possessing populous cities, fortified places and paved roads; an established priesthood with temples, altars and sacrifices; an organized, hereditary government and a standing army; an approximate computation of time; and various industries, and no little intelligence in husbandry. Over this growing civilization of the Chibchas the conquest swept like a hurricane, devastating villages, archives, manufactures and cultivated fields—dispersing the bones and annihilating the traditions of the miserable Indians. In the course of a few years they were deprived of their independence, their chiefs, their liberty, and even of their language; at the hands of the most cruel, blind, and persistent persecution; their very name was stricken from the catalogue of existing nations, their descendants were condemned to complete oblivion of their origin, while the antiquarian was left in the doubt and confusion of fabulous ages with respect to events which immediately preceded this epoch. The hurriedly written narratives of the conquerors speak of the grandeur of the "Valley of Castles"—Bogota, so called because of the high edifices of its cities; of the extensive salt mines of Zipaquira; of the potteries of Tinjaca, and especially of the great riches, the golden decorations, and the upright mummies covered with fine mantles, that were inclosed in the temple of Suamoz, the principal sanctuary of the Chibchas. Nor were these descriptions exaggerated. In our day there have been found in ancient sepulchers the most delicate cotton fabrics, well-preserved mummies, elaborately carved wooden articles of furniture, exquisite vases of baked earth, often imitating the human form and the figures of animals, and an infinite variety of golden ornaments and images. Beyond doubt the Chibchas had attained the third place in the civilization of aboriginal America; yet volumes have been written upon the Aztecs and Incas, while the name of this enlightened contemporary is almost unknown. They are said to have been denominated Chibchas because of the frequent recurrence of the syllables "chi" and "cha" in their tongue, but Humboldt calls them Muiscas or Moscas. According to the distinguished historian Acosta (whose excellent work has been freely consulted and often translated in the preparation of this paper), the term muisca merely signified "people" in their language, and mosca (Castilian for "fly") was probably a corruption of the former, or may have been applied to these Indians because of the great number that appeared before, and endeavored to stay the progress of the handful of Spaniards led by Quesada. As successful as Cortez or Pizarro, unlike them, this famous captain was never rewarded with the coveted marquise of Spain, and has lacked the master hand of Prescott to portray the thrilling incidents of his no less remarkable conquest.—Lieut. Lemly, in Century.

WITH BANANA SKINS.

Thrown on a Stoop by an Enemy, the Peel Proves a Powerful Weapon.

She walking rapidly up the little walk leading to the front steps of a house on Ferry street. It was her walk and her house, and she had a right to walk any way she chose. That disgusting Brown family next door might better mind their own business and stop watching her. So she was saying to herself, when—flop! thump!—her feet went from under her and she found herself sitting uncomfortably hard upon that same walk which a moment before she had been treading so proudly. Slowly she picked herself up, and ruefully she looked at the banana peel which had caused her downfall. A half-suppressed titter came from the window of the house next door.

"So that's their trick, is it?" she muttered, scornfully, tossing her head toward her enemies. "Well, it's a game two can play at."

The next morning the old man Brown got up rather early and started to walk down-town. He had barely reached his front steps when he struck something. It carried him off his feet like a cyclone. He went bumpety bump down the steps. At the bottom he struck something else. It carried him along a few feet farther and then shot him into a barbed-wire fence, which had been mysteriously strung across the path during the night.

The fence stopped him. But what a sight he was! His clothes were torn and covered with mud and ashes. The mud and ashes had also mysteriously got on the path during the night. His flesh was lacerated and bruised and his little finger was broken in two places.

He picked himself up and crawled back into the house and up to the room of his youngest son.

"Ben," he said, "was it you put that banana peel on the Widder Smith's walk yesterday?"

"Yep."

"Well, you young rascal, take that for it, and that!" and he began administering kicks on the person of his son till the youngster howled with pain.

Then as he crawled off in search of the arnica bottle he murmured: "I don't blame the widder a bit. It was a mean trick, but it was a blamed sight meaner of her to take revenge on me, when I'm the only one in our family that stood up for her."—Buffalo Express.

Java's Fame.

Teacher—What is the island of Java noted for?

Bright Boy (son of a grocer)—It's noted for th' coffee that used to come from there.—Good News.

FOOLED THE INDIANS.

A Lucky Rose That Saved a Western Stage-Coach from the Redskins.

Mr. Carlyle had many encounters with the Indians while on the plains in the old days of stage-coaching. He tells of one that has a vein of comedy, as they say of the melodrama. Mr. Carlyle was out with a new driver, fifty miles east of Cottonwood, now McPherson. He found that a band of redskins had taken possession of one his posts, and likewise of the whisky. The whisky had in turn taken possession of them.

The coach was too close to the station for flight, and besides, there were about two tons of mail and baggage matter around—too much for fast travel. So Carlyle determined that the only way to do was to brazen the matter out. He drove quietly up to within a hundred yards of the station, and clambering down from his seat coolly set about watering his horses.

The Indians were hilarious. They clustered around Carlyle and greeted him noisily. "How?" "How?" slapping him terrifically on the back. One buck was particularly hearty in his slap, and almost stove in Carlyle's shoulder, maddening him with pain. Carlyle was at the time lifting a bucket of water from the well. With all his giant strength he swung the heavy iron-bound bucket at the Indian's head. The latter ducked and the bucket slipped downward, completely enveloping his feathered head. And there the heavy vessel stuck, and the more Mr. Indian tried to wiggle out of it the tighter it stuck.

This struck all the other Indians as highly humorous. They crowded around the unfortunate buck, hooting and screeching. They rolled him along the plain, they kicked him, they buffeted him, they cast handfuls of dust upon him, and had a merry little picnic riding around on their wooden-headed comrade.

While this picnic was in progress Carlyle was busy. He had cut the straps that held the coach's heavy cargo of baggage, thrown off part of the mail, and bidding his frightened driver to whip up, the coach was soon making good time towards Cottonwood. When the Indians had tired of playing with the bucketed buck and prepared to loot the coach they found it rapidly disappearing. With renewed screeching they raced back to the stables for their ponies, and, mounting, set out in pursuit.

Carlyle, sitting on the top of the coach, fought them off with his long-range Henry rifle, and there was a very pretty running fight all the way to Cottonwood, the Indians dropping the pursuit as the town was approached.—Kansas City Times.

Exercise for Elderly People.

While the elderly man has less capacity for some forms of exercise than the younger adult, he has no less need than the other of the general and local effects of exercise. It is in the earliest period of mature age that the most characteristic manifestations of defects of nutrition—obesity, gout and diabetes, in which lack of exercise plays an important part—are produced; and the treatment of them demands imperiously a stirring up of the vital combustion. Placed between a conviction that exercise is necessary, and a fear of the dangers of exercise, the mature man ought, therefore, to proceed with the strictest method in the application of powerful modifier of nutrition. It is impossible, however, to trace methodically a single rule for all men of the same age, for all do not offer the same degree of preservation. We might, perhaps, find a general formula for the age at which the muscles and bones have retained all their power of resistance, and at which the heart and vessels begin to lose some of their capacity to perform their functions. The mature can safely brave all exercises that bring on muscular fatigue, but he must approach with great care those which provoke shortness of breath.—Fernand Lagrange, M. D., in Popular Science Monthly.

Inhaling Tar Fumes.

A man stood by one of the boiling caldrons of tar used by the Broadway pavers. He was thin, cadaverous and of hectic cheek. Every now and then he visibly choked with the rising fumes of the tar. People looked at him curiously. He finally coughed rather more violently than before, when a workman gruffly suggested that he might move away if he did not like it. But he didn't move for an hour. "That fellow comes here every day to smell that tar," said a boss. "He's got consumption, and somebody told him that the fumes of this tar are good for it. He has inhaled about twenty barrels now, and if he sticks to it until Broadway is paved he'll be a well man or dead—I don't know which."—N. Y. Herald.

In a Police Court.

Police Justice—How did you get that battered head?

Gentle Jeems—This policeman give it to me. He was asleep in a doorway. When I see that, thinks I, here's a rum chance, so I slip in the next doorway and pretty soon I was peacefully snoozing, too. I was waked by a bang over the head by the werry same officer, and when I kicked and told him as how I'd seed him asleep, he said: "That's all right, I do all the sleeping on this beat," and then he ran me in.—N. Y. Mail and Express.

Unwelcome.

Peddler—Beg pardon, ma'am, but I am the agent for Dr. Feeder's Spice Root Bitters, and I'm sure if the members of your family would try them they would soon have the finest appetites.

Lady at Door—This, sir, is a board-

ing house.—Good News.

What Ailed Him.

Missus—Bridget, what is that child crying so wildly for?

Nurse—Shure, mum, he's just dranked all his soothin' sirup, and et the cork, and I don't know what now ails him unless it's the bottle he wants to swallow.—Pharmaceutical Era.

AROUND THE HOUSE.

Never give your children anything because they cry for it.

A BOWL of quicklime kept in a cupboard will soon absorb the moisture, if there be any.

WASHING old silk in beer is said to give it a luster almost equal to that possessed when new.

A PERFUME lamp, which burns cologne and spreads a pleasant scent about the room, is among the late household novelties.

WHEN decorating rooms for reception use one kind of flowers for each room, as roses for one, carnations for another, violets in another, etc.

THE leaves of the peach tree, a few at a time, put into the boiling milk of a custard or blanc mange and removed before it cools into shape give a delicate almond flavor.

BREAD CAKE.—Two cups of sugar, two cups of bread dough, two eggs, one cup of butter or dripping, one teaspoonful of cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and soda, one cup of raisins.

IN making up flowers avoid stiff, set forms and let them be artistic in grace and simplicity, as near to nature as possible, with plenty of the pretty foliage which surmounts them when growing.

IN bottling catsup or pickles boil the corks, and while hot you can press them into the bottles, and when cold they are tightly sealed. Use the tin foil from compressed yeast to cover the corks.

IF you can give your roses a window in some room that has no stove in it, yet which does not freeze, they will do far better. And an occasional slight frost will do them less injury than continual dry heat.

THE wild red plum is not a favorite fruit in many households because of the bitter taste which it develops in cooking. This bitterness may be entirely overcome by first parboiling the fruit in salaratus water.

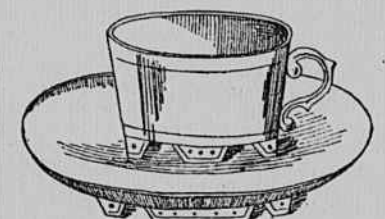
A GOOD way to make fritters is to take three eggs, three cups of butter-milk, one rounding teaspoonful of soda and a little salt; stir in flour to make stiff batter. Have the fat hot, and fry, dipping in a spoonful at a time.

"IX canning fruit," an expert house-keeper says, "it is wise to use a great deal of sugar, and as sugar is so cheap this year everybody can have it. Plain canned fruit is apt to turn, and does not retain its flavor as well as when made a little rich."

TEACUPS FOR INVALIDS.

A Novelty Which Will Be Found Very Useful in a Sick Room.

A most charming little novelty, of which the following is an illustration, is the invalid's teacup, brought out by an Englishman. It consists of a teacup and saucer, differing neither in price nor in size from the ordinary breakfast



teacup, but so made as to allow of a depression in the saucer, in which is placed a small cube of prepared fuel, by means of which the liquid contained can be kept hot for some time, until the invalid is ready for it. For night nursing this cup should supply a long-felt want.

A Fashionable Combination.

Women who are deft with their fingers can easily, indeed inexpensively, obtain the most fashionable decoration for either jacket or skirt; that is, one formed of fur or velvet, and outlined as elaborately as one pleases, with gold, silver or copper soutache. Very finely cut jet, showing diamonds, ovals, and the various geometrical designs, are fancied in black velvet, with heavy lace as an applique decoration. The old-fashioned coarse black silk lace is very much used on black velvet, and then finely-cut jets are systematically placed upon it. Entire skirts of lace like this are laid over the deep velvet skirts of long jackets, making them look very elaborate.

Little Pigs in Blankets.

Select a dozen or more large-sized oysters, drain, and wrap each one in a very thin slice of breakfast bacon. Fasten with a fine wooden toothpick. Have hot a granite-ware saucepan or spider; place in it enough of the thus prepared oysters at a time to cover the bottom, keep turning until they are a nice brown. As soon as done, lay them on slices of nicely browned and buttered toast and serve hot.

Potato Croquettes.

Pare six large potatoes, boil and mash fine, and mix with them the whites of two well-beaten eggs, one tablespoonful butter, two-thirds of a cup of hot cream or milk, and salt and pepper to taste. When cool enough to handle, mold into balls, dip in beaten egg, then in cracker crumbs, drop into hot fat and fry brown.

Pepper in the Water.

To prevent colored stockings from fading put a tablespoonful of black pepper into the water in which they are rinsed. Black stockings or those which are dark colored should never be washed in water which has been used for other clothes. Black pepper in the water will also keep black calico or cambric from fading.

When You Make an Aquarium.

A good recipe for making waterproof cement, to be used in constructing an aquarium, is to take twenty-five parts gutta percha in shreds and melt it carefully. Add seventy-five parts ground pumice stone and then mix in one hundred and fifty parts burgundy pitch and melt well together.

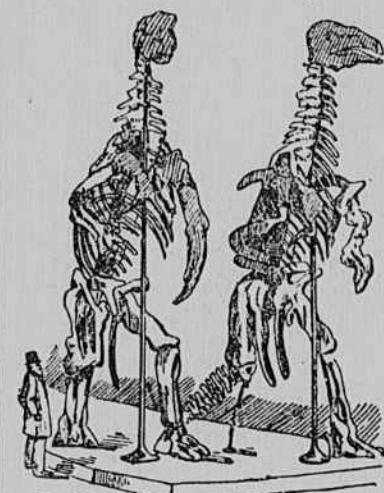
This Will Stop Hiccoughs.

A very good authority gives a simple remedy for hiccoughs: A lump of sugar saturated with vinegar. In ten cases, tried as an experiment, it stopped hiccoughs in nine.

REMAINS OF IGUANODONS.

Discoveries of Interest to Naturalists and Archaeologists.

In the year 1878 the miners employed at the Bernissart colliery, Belgium, while engaged in a gallery some three hundred yards below the surface, came upon an immense chasm containing a quantity of bones. Some large teeth were forwarded to a professor in Louvain university, who presently pronounced them to be the teeth of the iguanodon, a gigantic extinct reptile, whose remains had up to that time been rarely discovered. One of the few previous finds of the kind was made in the year 1839 in our own county of Sussex. On that occasion Cuvier, the celebrated naturalist, pronounced that the specimens sent him appertained to the iguanodon tribe. Perceiving the importance of the Bernissart discovery, the Belgian government took the matter up, and excavations were vigorously prosecuted, with the result that upward of 100 tons of bone were sent to Brussels in twenty-two wagons. To protect them from perishing from exposure to the air, the bones—which had been carefully numbered according to the position where they were found—were coated with plaster and wrapped in cloth. When this covering was removed the bones were dipped in boiling gelatine, which restored their original firmness, and then—twelve years being consumed in the operations—the five skeletons exhibited in the Natural History museum at Brussels were laboriously built up out of these fragments. As our engraving shows, the iguanodons were creatures of great size and of a kangaroo-like appearance, from their habit of standing on their hind legs. It is



REMAINS OF IGUANODONS AT BRUSSELS.

supposed that their tails, which were very thick and heavy, acted as a balance, enabling them to maintain this upright position. Their diet consisted of vegetables, fish and insects. Their remains were found buried in an alluvial deposit left by the periodical river floods. We abridge the above from a very interesting paper in the Independence Belge by M. Hector Chainaye. Our engraving is from a drawing by M. Cassiers.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

FRANCE possesses 1,100 mineral springs, of which over 1,000 are made use of in France.

THE Calumet and Hecla works have a smelting works in Buffalo, the capacity of which will be 250 tons per month.

THEORETICAL researches in dynamics do not indicate that any vapor whatever is capable of giving more than 5 per cent. of increase in economy over steam.

THE wear upon the Cape Cod coast is shown to be at the rate of 753,756 cubic yards per year, or an annual wear of the coast equal to a distance of about eight feet.

THE camera and an ordinary oil lamp are now being used to produce photographs of the indicator cards in steam engines, by which the working of the engines can be seen and studied at all times.

A RECENT eruption on the sun's face was photographed and lasted for fully fifteen minutes. Its angular height showed it to be a disturbance causing the vapors to ascend fully 80,000 miles.

THE new Maxim flying machine will be propelled by a light screw making 2,500 revolutions per minute. Its suspending power will be a kite 110 feet long by 40 feet wide. The motive power will be a petroleum condensing engine.

THE method of determining specific heats by the use of Joule's law has only been successful in liquids which were good conductors. A new method has been adopted for such measurement by means of a glass spiral filled with mercury.

Cushion Car Wheel.

The latest invention to attract the attention and approval of railroad men is the cushion car wheel, which is said to possess many advantages in the way of simplicity, safety and economy, while, at the same time, being almost noiseless. The wheel is composed of two parts, the center and the tire, while between the two is a thick rubber band which acts as a cushion to absorb all the vibrations. By a peculiar construction, the tire is made so that it may be removed without taking the wheel from the axle. The rubber is so interposed between the center and the tire as not to be liable to injury from a hot box or from the corrosive action of the lubricants.

Utilization of Old Tin Cans.

According to W. L. Brockway's invention, waste tin plate, fruit cans, etc., are heated to 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit in a furnace in which a reducing atmosphere is maintained. It is claimed that in about from three to seven minutes the tin and solder are completely separated from the iron and fall to the bottom of the furnace, while the iron is left in such a condition that after cleaning, cold rolling and annealing it is suitable for applications in which a tough, high-class iron plate or foil is required.

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